STRENGTHENING OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION METHODS USED FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF COMMERCIAL DISPUTES

(TC-99-10-00-0-ME)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Executing agency:

Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM)

Beneficiaries: The Arbitration and Mediation Centers (CAMs) participating in the

program, together with the businesses and investors who make use of

their services.

Financing: Modality: Nonreimbursable

MIF (Facility I) US\$1,352,500.00 Local counterpart: US\$ 879,055.00 Total: US\$2,231,555.00

Specific Objectives:

The specific objectives of the program are to: (a) strengthen the centers that administer alternative dispute resolution methods used to settle commercial disputes in Mexico; (b) provide training for specialists in various disciplines who can serve as arbitrators and mediators; (c) raise awareness in order to create an alternative dispute resolution culture in Mexico, thereby generating demand for this type of service; and (d) draft a model federal mediation law to enhance the present alternative dispute resolution system in Mexico.

Special contractual conditions:

The initial disbursement under the program will be conditional upon the executing agency's having presented to the Bank: (a) proof that the project executing unit (PEU) has been created and its members appointed; (b) an annual work plan for the first year, with breakdown into components; (c) Program Operating Regulations outlining the duties and obligations of all participants, and proof that these have been placed in effect; and (d) Participation Agreement, duly signed and in force between the executing agency and the CAMs participating in the program (paragraph 3.25).

Exceptions to Bank policy:

None.